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The Central Intelligence Agency is planning to conduct during July and August a series of instructional seminars on various areas of the world. You have been highly recommended as an instructor for this program.

The purpose is to improve, systematize, and bring up-to-date the knowledge of these areas that has already been acquired by our employees in the course of their work here, or in the course of their previous study, travel, and employment. We have also the problem of presenting introductory instruction to new employees and others who have not previously acquired knowledge of an area. Naturally these two groups would be separated for instructional purposes.

We plan to conduct the seminars in Washington between 7 July and 29 August. It is our tentative plan to have one or more groups of no more than twenty-five studying each area. The staff for your area will consist of an historian, an economist, and a political scientist. The instructional load for this part of the program should not exceed twelve hours a week and would probably fall somewhere between six and twelve hours.

In addition we plan to have the instructors sit with appropriate groups in this Agency to discuss problems of concern in which the instructors are competent. This, of course, will benefit the instructor as well as this Agency, since the instructors will see and hear material that is not normally available to civilians.

We wish to compensate the instructors as consultants on a per day basis, that is, \$40.00 for each day on duty. In addition to this, there is a per diem living allowance of \$9.00. We will pay one round-trip fare first class. All told, this should add up to something around \$2,000.00 for the eight weeks, plus travel.

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We should like to have you participate in this program as a specialist in the History of China and the Far East. I need not point out that in so doing you would contribute considerably to our national security at a time when knowledge such as yours is essential.

Since it will be necessary to obtain clearance before you can start work, I should appreciate the earliest possible answer. Please keep the matter confidential. You may write or telephone me here [REDACTED]

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Sincerely yours,

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